

This is Not a Drill! — Navy Investigates Firefighting Training Options

The International Center for Emergency Response Training Academy (ICERTA) in Ocala, Fla., now offers unique educational opportunities to Sailors.

This course is part of the Chief of Naval Operations' initiative to revolutionize Navy training and education. At ICERTA, Sailors can earn not only professional firefighting certifications, but also college credits, ensuring that they are not only employed, but employable.

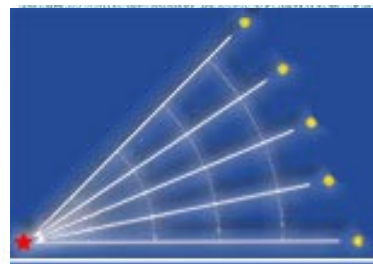
The firefighting course has met with nothing but accolades by the students. Regardless of the prospective student's level of firefighting experience, the ICERTA course offers valuable training in new ways to go about the old business of fighting fires.

And a new way of thinking is exactly what the Revolution in Training is all about.

The eight-week course begins with an intensive Firefighting I and II section, the initial course required of all new civilian firefighters, which included practical application on vehicle, structure and gas fires. Students also complete training in rappelling, search and rescue, and ladder handling.

Upon completion of the course, students receive International Fire Service Certification and Accreditation Commission (IFSAC) certifications in various fire fighting, hazardous materials awareness, and instructor courses. The certifications are issued through the Missouri State Fire Marshall's office. Additionally, students are awarded eight credits from the University of Missouri.

For more information on the firefighting pilot and the Revolution in Training, log on to www.excel.navy.mil.



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